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Town Officers

Moderator

John W. York

Supervisors of the Check List

Horace Palmer — Russell Crowell — John R. Perfect

Town Clerk

D. Everett Palmer

Selectmen

Richard D. Prescott (Term expires March, 1953)
John W. York (Term expires March, 1954)
James R. Rosencrantz (Term expires March, 1955)

Treasurer

Harry L. Steeves

Tax Collector

Charles H. Bickford

Representative to General Court

Charles R. Eastman

Auditors

George B. Shaw — Mildred Chase

Trustees of Public Library

Marion P. Kimball — Harold Y. Smith — Josephine Sanborn

Trustees of Trust Funds

Marion P. Kimball — Melvin G. Armstrong — Ralph B. Fish

Board of Education

D. Everett Palmer (Term expires 1953) — Leonard B. Miller (Term expires 1954) — Harry L. Steeves (Term expires 1955)

School Treasurer

Josephine Sanborn

Fire Warden

Horace O. Evans

Deputies

Sumner Card — John York — Frank Rosencrantz — Melvin Armstrong

Road Agent

Horace O. Evans

Board of Health

Harry L. Steeves

Sexton and Caretaker of the Cemetery

Robert Sawyer, Jr.

Constables

Lawrence Bailey — Frank W. Rosencrantz — John Crowell

Town Warrant

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Kensington in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Kensington on Tuesday, the tenth day of March, next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same. The Selectmen's estimated expenditures for the year 1953 amount to $13,976.00.

3. To see if the Town wishes to allow discount on Taxes paid within 30 or 60 days after presentation of Tax bills and determine the amount thereof.

4. To vote on the basis of payment and the amount to be paid the Tax Collector for collection of Taxes.

5. To see if the Town will give the Selectmen authority to dispose of property held by the Town on Tax Sale at Public Auction.

6. To see if the Town will grant the Selectmen authority to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes.

7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the trustees of the trust fund to transfer the school building fund to the school district.

8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the trustees of the trust fund to transfer the school playground fund to the Kensington Legion Post, No. 105.

9. To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this fourteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-three.

RICHARD D. PRESCOTT,
JOHN W. YORK,
JAMES R. ROSENCRANTZ,

Selectmen of Kensington, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

RICHARD D. PRESCOTT,
JOHN W. YORK,
JAMES R. ROSENCRANTZ,

Selectmen of Kensington, N. H.

Town Budget

SOURCES OF REVENUE	*Estimated* 1952	*Actual* 1952	*Estimate for Year* 1953
From State:			
Interest and Dividents Tax	$ 850.00	$1,300.01	$1,000.00
Railroad Tax			15.00
Savings Bank Tax	10.00	78.26	50.00
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood and Timber	1,400.00	1,042.59	1,300.00
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	150.00	179.00	150.00
Bus. Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	15.00	6.00	10.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,500.00	1,829.51	1,500.00
CASH SURPLUS	967.91		73.28
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
Poll Taxes—Regular at $2.00	520.00	504.00	500.00
Total Revenues From All Sources Except Property Taxes	$4,026.91	$4,939.37	$4,598.28
Amt. to be Raised by Property Taxes	$29,463.44	$29,201.82	$31,093.24
TOTAL REVENUES			$35,691.52

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	*Appropriation* 1952	*Actual Expenditures* 1952	*Estimated Year* 1953
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	$1,800.00	$1,526.01	$1,400.00
Town Officers' Expenses (Inc. in Sal.)	450.00	555.87	500.00
Election and Registration Expenses		237.65	150.00
Contingent Fund	1,000.00		
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Buildings		657.50	500.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Department		56.36	100.00
Fire Department (Water Holes)	1,000.00	1,046.35	300.00
Insurance and Bonds		202.40	200.00
HEALTH:			
Health Dept. Including Hospitals			25.00
Vital Statistics			10.00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maintenance—Summer	1,675.85	2,245.70	2,500.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	1,500.00	1,703.80	1,500.00
Street Lighting		45.63	100.00
General Expenses of Highway Dept.			500.00
Town Road Aid	245.81	245.81	250.00
Libraries	450.00	450.00	500.00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	200.00		200.00
Old Age Assistance	750.00	423.55	750.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day and Veterans' Assoc.	125.00	125.00	125.00
Public Services Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	250.00	266.50	400.00
Unclassified:			
Damages and Legal Expenses, including Dog Damage			100.00
Advertising and Regional Assoc.			6.00
Interest:			
On Temporary Loans		78.13	200.00
On Long Term Notes and Bonds		75.00	60.00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Construction		5,800.00	500.00
State Aid Construction—Town's Share		2,783.32	
Bridge Construction		534.58	
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
Temporary Loans		7,500.00	
Long Term Notes		1,000.00	1,000.00
Head Taxes		1,452.09	
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:			
County Taxes	2,042.53	2,042.53	2,100.00
School Taxes	19,374.50	26,298.65	21,715.52
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$30,863.69	$57,358.43	$35,691.52

Selectmen's Report

INVENTORY

Land and buildings,	$581,687.00
Electric power lines,	33,820.00
18 horses,	1,125.00
31 neat stock,	4,700.00
285 cows,	40,475.00
55 sheep or goats,	1,460.00
54 hogs,	1,085.00
4,025 fowl,	5,031.25
4 vehicles,	5,500.00
Wood and lumber,	5,290.00
3 gasoline pumps and tanks,	425.00
Stock-in-trade,	24,450.00
Mills and machinery,	4,250.00
Total gross valuation,	$709,298.25
Less soldiers' exemptions,	34,750.00
Taxable net valuation,	$674,548.25

APPROPRIATIONS

Salaries and expenses,	$ 1,800.00
Town expenses and contingent fund,	1,000.00
Fire department,	1,000.00
T. R. A.,	245.81
Town road maintenance (summer),	1,675.85
Town road maintenance (winter),	1,500.00
Increase in town officers' salaries,	450.00
Old age assistance,	750.00
Library,	450.00
Public relief,	200.00
Memorial Day,	125.00
Cemeteries,	250.00
County tax,	2,042.53
School tax,	19,374.50
	$30,863.69

ESTIMATE BY WHICH TAX RATE WAS DETERMINED

Total of town and school appropriation,		$30,863.69
Less estimated revenue:		
Interest and dividends,	$1,293.08	
Railroad tax,	15.00	
Savings bank tax,	10.00	
State reimbursement on growing wood and lumber,	1,243.59	
Motor vehicle permits,	1,600.00	
Dog licenses,	150.00	
Licenses and fees,	15.00	
Total revenues and credits,		4,326.67
		$26,537.02
Plus overlay,		306.35
Net amount to be raised by taxation,		$26,843.37
Less 268 poll taxes at $2.00,		536.00
Amount to be raised by property taxes on which the tax rate was figured,		$26,307.37

Tax rate, $3.90 per $100.00

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1952

	Title of Appropriation	*Appropriation*	*Receipts*	*Total Amount Avaliable*	*Expenditures*	*Unexpended Balance*	*Overdraft*
1	Town Officers' Salaries	$ 450.00		$ 450.00	$ 1,526.01		$ 1,076.01
2	Town Officers' Expenses	1,800.00		1,800.00	555.87	$ 1,244.13	
3	Election and Registration				237.65		237.65
4	Town Hall Expenses				657.50		657.50
5	Police Department				56.36		56.36
6	Fire Department	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,046.35		46.35
7	Insurance and Bonds				202.40		202.40
8	Town Maint., Summer	1,675.85		1,675.85	2,245.70		569.85
9	Town Maint., Winter	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,703.80		203.80
10	Street Lights				45.63		45.63
11	T. R. A.	245.81		245.81	245.81		
12	Libraries	450.00		450.00	450.00		
13	Old Age Assistance	750.00		750.00	423.55	326.45	
14	Memorial Day	125.00		125.00	125.00		
15	Cemeteries	250.00		250.00	266.50		16.50
16	Interest				153.13		153.13
17	Town Construction (1951)		5,800.00	5,800.00	5,800.00		
18	State Aid Construction				2,783.32		2,783.32
19	Town Bridge Construction				534.58		534.58
20	Temporary Loan Repaid		7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00		
21	Payment on Debt				1,000.00		1,000.00
22	State Head Tax		1,452.09	1,452.09	1,452.09		
23	Tax Collectors' Assoc.				6.00		6.00
24	County Tax	2,042.53		2,042.53	2.042.53		
25	School Tax (1951)		11,798.65	11,798.65	11,798.65		
26	School Tax (1952)	19,374.50		19,374.50	14,500.00	4,874.50	
27	Contingent Fund	1,000.00		1,000.00		1,000.00	
28	Town Poor	200.00		200.00		200.00	
		$30,863.69	$26,550.74	$57,414.43	$57,358.43	$ 7,645.08	$ 7,589.08

TOWN BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Cash balance in bank,	$ 193.98	
Due from State for T. R. A.,	2,169.10	
Due from State, timber yield tax,	188.00	
Uncollected property taxes, 1952,	6,104.60	
Uncollected yield taxes, 1952,	60.00	
Uncollected head taxes, 1952,	370.00	
Capital reserve fund,	4,308.73	
Uncollected 1951 poll taxes,	26.00	
Uncollected 1950 poll taxes,	6.00	
Uncollected 1952 poll taxes,	176.00	
Uncollected head taxes, 1951,	24.10	
		$13,626.51

Liabilities

Due schools,	$ 4,874.50	
Capital reserve fund,	4,308.73	
Due State, head taxes,	370.00	
Due long term town notes,	4,000.00	
	$13,553.23	
Net surplus,	73.28	
		$13,626.51
Surplus over current liabilities,		$4,073.28

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

January 1, 1952 to December 31, 1952

DOG TAX FOR 1951-1952

Dr.

Received for 12 male dogs	at $2.00	$ 24.00	
Received for 2 female dogs	at 5.00	10.00	
			$ 34.00

Cr.

Paid Town Treasurer	$ 34.00

DOG TAX FOR 1952-1953

Dr.

Received for 49 male dogs	at $2.00	$ 98.00	
Received for 7 female dogs	at 5.00	35.00	
Received for one Kennel License		12.00	
			$ 145.00

Cr.

Paid Town Treasurer	$ 145.00

AUTO TAX

Dr.

Received for 18 1951 permits	$ 33.19	
Received for 343 1952 permits	1,796.32	
		$1,829.51

Cr.

Paid Town Treasurer	$1,829.51

FILING FEES

Dr.

Received for filing fees 1952	$ 6.00

Cr.

Paid Town Treasurer	$ 6.00

D. EVERETT PALMER, *Town Clerk.*

Tax Collector's Report

Charles H. Bickford, Collector

SUMMARY OF WARRANT
PROPERTY, POLL AND YIELD TAXES

Levy of 1952

DR.

Taxes committed to collector:		
Property taxes,	$26,307.37	
Poll taxes,	536.00	
Total warrant,		$26,843.37
Yield taxes,		995.59
Added taxes:		
Property taxes,		39.00
Poll taxes,		14.00
Yield taxes,		60.00
Interest collected,		4.36
Total debits,		$27,956.32

CR.

Remittances to treasurer:		
Property taxes,	$20,209.61	
Poll taxes,	360.00	
Yield taxes,	995.59	
Interest collected,	4.36	
Abatements,	46.16	
Uncollected taxes as per collector's list:		
Property taxes,	6,104.60	
Poll taxes,	176.00	
Yield taxes,	60.00	
Total credits,		$27,956.32

STATE HEAD TAX

Levy of 1952

DR.

State head taxes committed to collector :			
Original warrant,	330	$1,650.00	
Added taxes,	3	15.00	
	333		
Total commitment,			$1,665.00
Penalties collected,			5.00
Total debits,			$1,670.00

CR.

Remittances to treasurer:			
Head taxes,	254	$1,270.00	
Penalties,		5.00	
			$1,275.00
Abatements,			25.00
Uncollected head taxes as per collector's list,			370.00
Total credits,			$1,670.00

PROPERTY, POLL AND YIELD TAXES

Levy of 1951

DR.

Uncollected taxes as of January 1, 1952:		
Property taxes,	$9,033.54	
Poll taxes,	178.00	
Yield taxes,	47.00	
		$9,258.54
Interest collected during fiscal year ended December 31, 1952,		259.67
Total debits,		$9,518.21

CR.

Remittances to treasurer during fiscal year ended December 31, 1952:		
Property taxes,	$8,728.10	
Poll taxes,	142.00	
Interest collected during year,	259.67	
Yield taxes,	47.00	
Abatements made during year,	315.44	
Uncollected taxes as per collector's list:		
Poll taxes,	26.00	
Total credits,		$9,518.21

STATE HEAD TAX

Yield of 1951

DR.

Uncollected taxes as of January 1, 1952:		
Head taxes,	$185.00	
Penalties collected during 1952,	16.00	
Total debits,		$201.00

CR.

Remittances to treasurer during 1952:		
Head taxes,	$160.90	
Penalties,	16.00	
		$176.90
Uncollected head taxes as per collector's list,		24.10
Total credits,		$201.00

POLL TAXES

Levy of 1950

DR.

Uncollected taxes as of January 1, 1952:		
Poll taxes,	$24.00	
Interest collected during fiscal year ended December 31, 1952,	.08	
Total debits,		$24.08

Cr.

Remittances to treasurer during fiscal year ended December 31, 1952:		
Poll taxes,	$ 2.00	
Interest collected during year,	.08	
Abatements made during year,	16.00	
Uncollected taxes as per collector's list:		
Poll taxes,	6.00	
Total credits,		$24.08

Treasurer's Report

Cash on hand, January 1, 1952,		$13,150.24
Received from Charles H. Bickford, tax collector:		
Property tax, 1952,	$20,209.61	
Poll taxes,	360.00	
Head taxes,	1,270.00	
Head tax fines,	5.00	
Interest,	4.36	
Timber tax,	995.59	
Property tax, 1951,	8,728.10	
Poll taxes,	142.00	
Head taxes,	160.90	
Head tax fines,	16.00	
Interest,	259.67	
Timber tax,	47.00	
Poll taxes, 1950,	2.00	
Interest,	.08	
		$32,200.31
Received from D. Everett Palmer, town clerk:		
Auto permits, 1952,	$1,796.32	
Dog tax,	145.00	
Filing fees,	6.00	
Auto permits, 1951,	33.19	
Dog tax,	34.00	
		2,014.51
Received from Exeter Banking Company: Short term loan,		7,500.00
Received from State treasurer:		
Wood and lumber tax refund,	$1,309.08	
Interest and dividend tax,	1,300.01	
Savings bank tax,	78.26	
		2,687.35
		$57,552.41
Paid by order of selectmen,		57,358.43
Balance on hand, December 31, 1952,		$193.98

SELECTMEN'S REPORT OF EXPENDITURES

Town officers' salaries,	$ 1,526.01
Town officers' expenses,	555.87
Election and registration,	237.65
Town hall expenses,	657.50
Police department,	56.36
Fire department,	1,046.35
Bonds and insurance,	202.40
Summer maintenance of highways,	2,245.70
Winter maintenance of highways,	1,703.80
Street lighting,	45.63
T. R. A.,	245.81
Libraries,	450.00
Old age assistance,	423.55
Memorial Day,	125.00
Cemeteries,	266.50
Interest,	153.13
New town construction (Shaw's Hill, 1951 appropriation),	5,800.00
State aid construction,	2,783.32
Town bridge construction,	534.58
Temporary loans repaid,	7,500.00
Long term notes paid (Stumpfield Road),	1,000.00
State head taxes and penalties,	1,452.09
Tax collector's association,	6.00
County tax,	2,042.53
1951 school appropriation,	11,798.65
1952 school appropriation,	14,500.00
Total,	$57,358.43

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

D. Everett Palmer, town clerk,	$ 294.20
Charles Bickford, tax collector,	487.81
Frank Rosencrantz, auditor,	20.00
Parker Blodgett, auditor,	20.00
Richard Prescott, selectman,	200.00
John W. York, selectman,	100.00
James Rosencrantz, selectman,	100.00
Harry Steeves, treasurer,	120.00
Harry Steeves, health officer,	10.00
Russell Crowell, supervisor,	60.00
Horace Palmer, supervisor,	60.00
John Perfect, supervisor,	54.00
	$1,526.01

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Brown and Saltmarsh, dog tags,	$ 8.12
Squamscott Press, town clerk stamps,	7.20
New Hampshire Assessors' Association, dues,	2.00
U. S. Auto and Truck Guide,	6.00
Exeter News Letter, legal notices,	2.00
Whittier Press, town reports,	286.54
Mildred Chase, adding machine, Newburyport,	12.00
Brown and Saltmarsh, tax collector's book,	16.37
Edson Eastman Company, officer appointment blanks,	12.30
Harry Flanders, supplies,	1.25
Sargent Brothers, printing tax bills,	13.20
Marion Kimball, expenses as trustee of trust fund,	15.80
Richard Prescott, expenses as selectman,	25.00
John W. York, expenses as selectman,	15.00
James Rosencrantz, expenses as selectman,	15.00
Harry Steeves, expenses as treasurer,	4.35
Charles Bickford, expenses as tax collector,	39.04
Everett Palmer, expenses as town clerk,	42.70
John W. A. Green, examining records,	10.00
School committee reports,	22.00
	$555.87

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Whittier Press, ballots,	$ 18.85
Kurtz Diner, 24 dinners,	24.00
Women's Guild, 12 suppers,	12.00
Grace Gilmore, ballot inspector,	19.80
Edna Wardwell, ballot inspector,	19.80
Amy Eastman, ballot clerk,	19.80
Beatrice Lambert, ballot clerk,	19.80
Wilbur Boyden, Sr., gate keeper	19.80
Moses W. Brewster, gate keeper,	19.80
John W. York, moderator,	24.00
Whittier Press, check lists,	40.00
	$237.65

TOWN HALL EXPENSES

George J. Shaw, painting and cleaning,	$ 51.87
James Rosencrantz, four cords slabs,	40.00
New England Telephone & Telegraph Co., telephone,	78.30
George J. Shaw, town hall repairs,	46.24
Exeter and Hampton Electric Co., lights,	66.41
Jones, McDuffee and Stratton, dishes,	175.00

Alfred Bertrand, wiring,	54.38
Young Hardware, supplies,	51.28
George J. Shaw, removing snow,	6.00
George J. Shaw, washing dishes,	23.00
Merle Sharp, two cords slabs,	20.00
D. Poggio and Sons, supplies,	3.02
Henry Lenz, tuning piano,	5.00
Percy Dunn, cleaning,	27.00
Arthur Deene, keys,	2.00
Roy Cole, sawing wood,	3.00
George B. Shaw, repairing chairs,	5.00
	$657.50

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Wentworth-Forman Company, badges,	$14.36
Frank Rosencrantz, constable,	10.00
John Crowell, constable,	10.00
Lawrence Bailey, constable,	10.00
John Crowell, 12 hours' duty,	12.00
	$56.36

FIRE DEPARTMENT

1952 appropriation,	$1,000.00
Horace O. Evans, forest fire, Round Hill,	9.00
Frank Rosencrantz, forest fire, Round Hill,	7.00
Melvin Armstrong, Jr., forest fire, Round Hill,	5.00
Ernest Greenwood, forest fire, Round Hill,	5.00
Richard Wilbur, forest fire, Round Hill,	9.00
Robert Perfect, forest fire, Round Hill,	5.00
Exeter Fire Department, forest fire, Round Hill,	6.35
	$1,046.35

BONDS, INSURANCE, ETC.

John A. Perkins,	$192.40
DeMeritt Agency,	10.00
	$202.40

TOWN MAINTENANCE (SUMMER)

Arthur Batchelder, gravel and labor,	$ 54.90
Iafolla Crushed Stone, tar patch,	355.20
Arthur Estabrook, labor,	180.90
Horace O. Evans, labor and truck,	307.30

Harry Philbrick, labor,	79.20
State of New Hampshire, tar patch,	22.50
Joseph Dollen, labor,	43.20
Geary Hurd, truck and labor,	52.00
R. G. Watkins & Son, grading,	200.00
R. G. Watkins & Son, gravel for Moulton Ridge Road,	310.00
R. G. Watkins & Son, gravel for Groetz Road,	322.50
R. G. Watkins & Son, gravel for Kimball Road,	318.00
	$2,245.70

TOWN MAINTENANCE (WINTER)

R. G. Watkins, snow removal,	$1,593.50
Harry Philbrick, snow fence,	10.80
Arthur Estabrook, snow fence,	23.40
Arthur Batchelder, snow fence,	12.60
Horace O. Evans, snow fence,	37.40
Arthur Evans, snow fence,	26.10
	$1,703.80

STREET LIGHTING

Exeter and Hampton Electric Co.,	$45.63

T. R. A.

Town's share,	$245.81

LIBRARY

Josephine Sanborn, treasurer, 1952 appropriation,	$450.00

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

State treasurer, State of New Hampshire,	$423.55

MEMORIAL DAY

Kensington American Legion Post, No. 105,	$125.00

CEMETERIES

J. Walker Hadley, mower parts,	$ 14.95
Eugene Simon, labor,	154.00
Wilbur Boyden, Sr., labor,	82.80
James Rosencrantz, labor on mower,	14.75
	$266.50

INTEREST

Exeter Banking Company,	$153.13

TOWN HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Martin Mailet, Shaw's Hill Road, 1951 appropriation,	$5,800.00

STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

State of New Hampshire, tarring Stumpfield Road,	$ 513.32
Arthur Batchelder, gravel Drinkwater Road, new construction,	199.40
R. G. Watkins & Son, Drinkwater Road construction,	2,070.60
	$2,783.32

TOWN BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION

R. G. Watkins & Son, emergency appropriation, replacing Kimball Road bridge,	$534.58

TEMPORARY LOANS REPAID

Exeter Banking Company,	$7,500.00

LONG TERM NOTES PAID

Exeter Banking Company (Stumpfield Road),	$1,000.00

PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS

State treasurer, head taxes and penalties,	$ 1,452.09
Tax Collectors' Association, dues,	6.00
County treasurer, county tax,	2,042.53
Kensington School District, 1951 appropriation,	11,798.65
Kensington School District, 1952 appropriation,	14,500.00

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON, 1-1-52 to 12-31 INCLUSIVE

				PRINCIPAL			INCOME				
Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	Balance Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Balance at End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year	Rate of Interest	Amount to 1-1-53	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year
1912	John F. Gill	Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings	$ 100.00	1	$ 100.00	$ 40.53	3%	$ 6.34	$ 7.00	$ 39.87
1914	Hannah Moulton	Library Fund	Manchester Savings	1,000.00	2	1,000.00	.00	3%	45.23	30.23	15.00
1916	Mary S. Blake	Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings	100.00	3	100.00	3.58	3%	4.78	5.00	3.36
1918	Lizzie Osgood	Cemetery Fund	Exeter Banking Co.	100.00	4	100.00	6.46	2%	3.18	3.00	6.64
1922	James Bartlett	Cemetery Fund	Exeter Banking Co.	100.00	5	100.00	3.51	2%	3.09	3.00	3.60
1923	George M. Gove	Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings	150.00	6	150.00	44.19	3%	8.99	12.00	41.18
1925	Ellen F. Bingham	Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings	100.00	7	100.00	2.26	3%	4.68	3.00	3.94
1928	Clara Rhodes	Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings	100.00	8	100.00	.00	3%	4.73	3.00	1.73
1929	William H. Eaton	Cemetery Fund	Exeter Banking Co.	200.00	9	200.00	1.86	2%	6.05	4.00	3.91
1931	Susan L. Webster	Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings	200.00	10	200.00	13.16	3%	10.04	8.00	15.20
1932	Robert T. Brown	Cemetery Fund	Exeter Banking Co.	200.00	11	200.00	22.54	2%	6.62	11.00	18.16
1935	Frank L. Wadleigh	Cemetery Fund	Exeter Banking Co.	100.00	12	100.00	.17	2%	3.00	2.00	1.18
1937	Sarah A. Green	Cemetery Fund	Exeter Banking Co.	100.00	13	100.00	.53	2%	3.01	2.50	1.04
1938	Oliver Clifford	Cemetery Fund	Exeter Banking Co.	95.00	14	95.00	1.25	2%	2.88	2.50	1.63
1940	Clara E. Kimball	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings	300.00	15	300.00	7.05	3%	13.99	5.00	16.04
1942	Mary J. Smith	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings	200.00	16	200.00	5.55	3%	9.34	3.00	11.89
1944	Marcia D. Tilton	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings	1,000.00	17	1,000.00	21.11	3%	30.63	31.16	20.58
1944	Mary A. Tilton	Library Fund	Amoskeag Savings	500.00	18	500.00	.00	3%	22.61	15.11	7.50
1944	John S. Wadleigh	Cemetery Fund	Exeter Banking Co.	150.00	19	150.00	.98	2%	4.53	3.00	2.51
1945	Mary E. DeRochemont	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings	100.00	20	100.00	11.60	3%	4.08	.00	15.68
1945	Kensington School Bld.	Capital Reserve	Exeter Banking Co.	4,005.36	21	4,005.36	220.13	2%	83.24	.00	303.37
1948	Benjamin Lovering	Cemetery Fund	Exeter Banking Co.	100.00	22	100.00	.70	2%	3.01	2.50	1.21
1948	Frank H. Poor	Cemetery Fund	Exeter Banking Co.	200.00	23	200.00	5.01	2%	6.18	2.50	8.69
1950	Veterans School Ground	Capital Reserve	Exeter Banking Co.	150.00	24	150.00	4.28	2%	5.76	.00	10.04
1952	Arthur T. York	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings	200.00	25	200.00	.00	3%	4.02	.00	4.02
1952	Charles E. Fish	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings	200.90	26	200.00	.00	3%	3.00	.00	3.00
With Interest to January 1, 1953, Added to these Accounts by the Auditors							$416.45		$303.02	$158.50	$560.97

MARION KIMBALL REPORT

Care of Trust Funds as Listed.

Received from Trust Funds $113.16

By Howard Blake Amoskeag		Stevens Loam	Grading Seeding	Work on Stones	Seed & Fertilizer
Marcia Tilton	$ 5.00	$ 3.00	$ 3.00	$15.00 (Cole)	$5.06
Clara Kimball	5.00				
Mary Smith	3.00				
Manchester Savings					
J. G. Gill	3.00	3.00	1.00		
Mary Blake (2 lots)	5.00				
George Gove	6.00	3.00	3.00		
Ellen Bingham	3.00				
Clara Rhodes	3.00				
Susan Webster (2)	6.00			2.00	
Exeter Banking Co.					
Lizzie Osgood	3.00				
Wm. Eaton	4.00				
Robert T. Brown	5.00	3.00	3.00		
Frank Wadleigh	2.00				
Sarah Green	2.00				.50
Oliver Clifford	2.50				
John Wadleigh	3.00				
Benj. Lovering	2.50				
Frank Poor	2.50				
James Bartlett	3.00				
	$68.50	$12.00	$10.00	$15.00 Cole 2.00 Blake	$5.66

BILLS

H. Blake: Care of Lots	$68.50	
Labor—Grading and seeding	10.00	
Labor on stones	2.00	
		$80.50
Albert Stevens, Stratham, 5 yes. Loam		$12.00
Cole Brothers: Setting Tilton Markers		15.00
Merrimack—Seed and Fertilizers		5.66
		$113.16

Auditor's Report

We have examined the reports of Charles H. Bickford, Tax Collector; Harry L. Steeves, Treasurer, with a balance of $193.98 on deposit with the Exeter Banking Co., and D. Everett Palmer, Town Clerk, covering Auto Permits and Dog License Account, and find them nicely kept and correct, balanced to end of year 1952.

We have examined the report of Richard D. Prescott for the Selectmen. We wish to credit him with a typewritten report and three half days co-operating to balance inventory book and expense book, on which several days were spent.

We find exemption allowed without application, two bills overpaid $10.00 each, and bills paid without invoice of period of time covered by bill, but we pass up the report as printed.

We have examined the report of Marian P. Kimball of expenditures of Trust Funds and find Tilton Fund of $15.11 and Moulton Fund of $30.33 paid to the Public Library and $113.16 spent in cemetery for which much credit is due Mrs. Kimball.

We have examined the Trust Funds books and approve of same as printed.

We have examined the Treasurer's report for Library Trustees and after more than two days have come up with the report as printed, with a balance of $125.53 on Jan. 1, 1953, and one check for $4.00 not returned, leaving $121.53 balance for 1953.

We have examined the Treasurer's report for the School Building Committee, but as we have not been requested to audit this, we pass it along for some other time.

We have examined the papers of Horace O. Evans, Road Agent, as presented to Selectmen and paid direct by them, and approve the same.

GEORGE B. SHAW

MILDRED L. CHASE

Auditors.

Librarian's Report

KENSINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Josephine Sanborn, Treasurer

Dr.

Cash in bank, April 1, 1952	$ 45.12		
Rec. from Tilton fund	15.11		
Rec. from Moulton Fund	30.23		
Rec. from town appropriation	450.00		
Rec. from refund on bill	1.25		
Rec. from fines	4.00		
Rec. from Social Library	10.00		
		$555.71	$555.71

Salary 200.00

Cr.

Books and Magazines

Personal Book Co.	$ 28.59	
Library Book House	1.87	
Life Magazine	11.00	
		$ 41.46

Light and Heat

Exeter & Hampton Electric Co.		15.37	
D. Everett Palmer	wood	5.00	
Frank P. Young	wood	8.00	
Harold Bodwell	wood	60.00	
			88.37

Janitor

Irena Bragg	50.25	
Frederick Miller	2.00	
Harley Cole	1.40	
		53.65

Miscellaneous

Exeter Bank Co.	3.00
Batchelder's Book Store	4.80
Nellie Hilliard	10.00
Richard Prescott	20.25
O. H. Cammett	5.60
University of N. H.	4.00

Gaylord Bros.	3.05		
		$ 50.70	
		$434.18	$434.18
			$121.53
One check not returned			4.00
Balance in Bank Jan. 1, 1953			$125.53
Librarian has received for fines		$ 10.25	
Librarian has spent miscellaneous		10.25	

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS FOR 1952

Fiction,	584
Juvenile,	663
History,	81
Biography and autobiography,	81
Adventure and travel,	19
Poetry and drama,	12
Science,	44
Religion,	3
Sociology,	1
Miscellaneous non-fiction,	50
Magazines,	203
	1,741

BOOKS PURCHASED

Introduction to New Hampshire,	Frances Ann Johnson
My First Dictionary,	Laura Octedal and Nina Jacob
The Children That Lived in a Shoe,	Josephine van D. Pease
Forest Babies,	Jean J. Parrish
Johnny and the Birds,	Ian Munn
My Happy Day—Word Book,	Thelma Shaw
Scatter the Chipmunk,	Catherine O. Coblents
Folk Tales Children Love,	Edited by Walter Piper
How Tinkle Got Her Bell,	Harpar and J. Spicer
Vulture Valley,	Tom West
My Cousin Rachel,	Daphne Du Maurier
The Caine Mutiny,	Herman Wouk
The Sin of the Prophet,	Truman Nelson
Neither Hay Nor Grass,	John Gould
A Few Buttons Missing,	James L. Fisher, M. D., and Lowell S. Hawley

Moses,	Sholem Asch
Shoulder the Sky,	D. E. Stevenson
The Wright Brothers,	Quentin Reynolds
My Life's History,	Grandma Moses
By Gun and Spur,	Joseph Wayne
The Doves of War,	Paul Evan Lerman
Gods, Graves and Scholars,	C. W. Ceram
The Landing of the Pilgrims,	James Daugherty
Windows for the Crown Prince,	Elizabeth Gray Vining
Brave Interval,	Elizabeth Yates
Patterns on the Wall,	Elizabeth Yates
The Christmas Parade,	Ada Morrow Reeves
Ginger Pye,	Eleanor Estes

GIFT OF KENSINGTON LEGION AUXILIARY

Twenty-five dollars for young peoples' books.

GIFT OF THE EXETER LIBRARY

The Snake Pit,	Mary Jane Ward
Fair Wind to Java,	Garland Roark
Try and Stop Me,	Bennett Cerf
The Mature Mind,	H. A. Overstreet
At Home Among the Atoms,	James Kendall
This Side of Innocence,	Taylor Caldwell
Saints and Sinners,	George F. Millison
Anatomy,	Cunningham
Who's Who in the East, Vol. 2,	Published by A. N. Marquis Co.

GIFT OF ALICE WILBUR

Basic Reader—Primer,	Elson-Gray
Basic Reader—Book Three,	Elson-Gray

GIFT OF DOVER LIBRARY

The Vitamins,	A. C. Sherman and S. L. Smith
Temple Bells and Silver Sails,	Elizabeth C. Enders
Alaska, the Great Country,	Ella Higginson
Washington Is Like That,	W. M. Kiplinger
An Island Patchwork,	Eleanor Early
The Posy Ring,	Kate Douglas Wiggin
Six Little Bunkers At Grandpa Ford's,	Laura Lee Hope
Dick and Dolly,	Carolyn Wells
Spectacles for Young Eyes,	Sarah W. Lander
Sun and Shadows in Spain,	Maud Howe
Switzerland,	Compiled
Northern Summer,	Gosta af Geigerstam

GIFT OF MISS CLAPP

Use of Resources in Education,	Elsie Ripley Clapp

GIFTS — WESTERNS

Man in the Saddle,	Ernest Haycox
Red Ryder and the Secret of Wolf Canyon,	S. S. Stevens
Gringo Guns,	Peter Field
Red Clark for Luck,	Gordon Young
The Telltale Scar,	Fran Striker
Renegade Roundup,	Wm. Colt MacDonald

GIFTS

Folk Lore Primer,	Eulalie O. Grover
Towns of New England,	Issued by State St. Trust Co., Boston
World's Great Plays,	George Jean Nathan, Introducer
Fugitive Essays,	Josiah Royce
Darwinism and Other Essays,	John Fiske
Butterflies,	S. H. Scudder
Marvels of Aviation,	Charles C. Turner
Autobiography of an American Enterprise,	E. L. du Pont Nemours Co.
Winchester—The Gun That Won the War,	Harold P. Williamson

MAGAZINES GIVEN BY MRS. DE ROCHEMONT

Ladies' Home Journal
McCall's
American Home
American Family
Redbook

NELLIE HILLIARD,

Librarian.

Report of the Kensington Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Year 1952

Receipts

January 1, 1952, cash on hand,	$1,003.63	
Received from:		
Town treasurer, by vote of town,	1,000.00	
Suppers,	237.92	
Donations and use of truck,	65.00	
Ladies' Auxiliary,	150.00	
Total receipts,		$2,456.55

Payments

Paid:		
Shingles, clapboards, etc.,	$320.00	
Insulation,	183.75	
Cement floor,	325.00	
Insurance,	180.70	
Garage doors,	372.00	
Windows,	53.40	
Nails, cement and miscellaneous supplies,	141.98	
Labor,	92.96	
Oil for heating,	72.72	
Chimney materials,	50.00	
Rent of garage for truck,	75.00	
Water installation,	40.00	
Grading lot,	15.00	
Electricity,	12.87	
Community Christmas,	10.00	
Total expenses,		$1,945.38
Cash balance on hand, January 1, 1953,		511.17
		$2,456.55

RALPH B. FISH, *Treasurer.*

Audited January 18, 1953, with correct bank balance of $511.17.

HARRY L. STEEVES, *Auditor.*

Number of fire calls received, 6.

HORACE O. EVANS, *Chief.*

Annual Reports

OF

Officers of the School District

OF THE

Town of Kensington, N. H.

For the Year Beginning July 1, 1952 and Ending
June 30, 1952

Final Report of New School Construction

February 20, 1952

Receipts

Received from sale of bonds,	$32,028.44
Received from school board,	2,298.65
Received from school board loan,	4,500.00
Interest on deposit,	33.33
	$38,860.42

Paid Out

Feb. 24	E. W. & P. B. Currier, No. 1 requisition,	$ 7,824.99
Feb. 24	Roland S. Simonds, architect,	1,655.00
Mar. 21	E. W. & P. B. Currier, No. 2 requisition,	3,309.79
Mar. 21	Roland Simonds, architect,	117.37
Apr. 11	E. W. & P. B. Currier, No. 3 requisition,	4,279.09
Apr. 11	Roland Simonds, architect,	94.29
May 7	E. W. & P. B. Currier, No. 4 requisition,	9,141.31
May 7	Roland Simonds, architect,	137.12
June 2	Interest on bonds,	220.00
June 6	Interest on bonds,	100.00
July 1	E. W. & P. B. Currier, No. 5 requisition,	7,066.52
Dec. 11	Roland Simonds, architect,	274.56
Jan. 8	E. W. & P. B. Currier, No. 6 requisition,	4,267.89
		$38,487.33

Total receipts,	$38,860.42	
Outlay,	38,487.33	
Balance on hand,		$373.09

Note: All bills are paid excepting a bill from architect for $229.02.

School Warrant

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Kensington, N. H., qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 14th day of March, 1953, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.

2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.

3. To choose a member of the school board for the ensuing three years.

4. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.

5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the school board and truant officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the district.

6. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

7. To choose agents, auditors and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this Warrant.

8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.

9. To see if the district will authorize the school board to make application for and to receive, in the name of the district, such advances, grants, and aids or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the Federal Security Agency, or any other United States government or State agencies.

10. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate $500.00 for equipment for new school kitchen.

11. To see if the district will vote to authorize the school board to sell either or both the East and North School lots and buildings.

12. To see if the district will vote to add to the school building fund such monies as may be received from the sale of either or both school lots and buildings.

13. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Kensington, N. H., this 8th day of February, 1953.

LEONARD B. MILLER,
D. EVERETT PALMER,
HARRY L. STEEVES,

School Board of Kensington, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

LEONARD B. MILLER,
D. EVERETT PALMER,
HARRY L. STEEVES,

School Board of Kensington, N. H.

School Board Estimate for 1953-54

Teachers' salaries,	$5,100.00	
Textbooks,	250.00	
Scholars' supplies,	150.00	
Other expense of instruction,	200.00	
Janitor service,	500.00	
Fuel,	500.00	
Water, light, janitor supplies,	250.00	
Minor repairs and expense,	100.00	
Health supervision, medical inspection,	200.00	
Payment of elementary pupils,	2,475.00	
Transportation of pupils,	3,300.00	
		$13,025.00
Salaries of district officers,	$ 80.00	
Truant officer and school census,	6.00	
Payment of secondary school tuition,	4,500.00	
Superintendent's excess salary,	240.00	
Per capita tax,	184.00	
Other expenses of administration,	360.00	
Teachers' retirement,	395.00	
Insurance, treasurer's bond and expense,	300.00	
Special activities,	150.00	
Grading and fencing school yard,	850.00	
New desks,	150.00	
		7,215.00
		$20,240.00
Principal of bond issue and interest,		2,600.00
Total,		$22,840.00
Estimated income of district:		
Estimated balance, 1952-1953,	$ 00.00	
State aid,	1,124.48	
		1,124.48
Total,		$21,715.52

School Treasurer's Report

July 1, 1951, to July 1, 1952

DR.

Cash on hand, July 1, 1951,	$ 141.99	
Received from selectmen, balance old appropriation,	1,200.34	
Received from selectmen on new appropriation,	13,200.00	
Received from State treasurer,	1,927.52	
		$16,469.85

CR.

Paid by order school board,	$16,321.95	
Cash on hand, July 1, 1952,	147.90	
		$16,469.85

JOSEPHINE E. SANBORN,

Treasurer.

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT OF EXPENDITURES

Salaries of district officers,	$ 87.50	
Superintendent's salary and expense,	189.16	
Truant officer and census,	6.00	
Expense of administration,	207.89	
Teachers' salary,	5,132.80	
Textbooks,	54.90	
Scholars' supplies,	234.44	
Flags,	3.84	
Other expense of instruction,	218.46	
Janitors' salary,	309.00	
Water, lights and janitors' supplies,	190.86	
Fuel,	95.50	
Minor repairs and expense,	96.38	
Supervisory Union,	164.50	
Transportation,	3,100.00	
Tuition,	5,379.26	
State supervision,	174.00	
Insurance and other charges,	69.91	
Teachers' retirement,	326.33	
From special appropriation,	281.10	
		$16,321.95

MONEY AVAILABLE FOR 1951-52 YEAR

DR.

Cash on hand, July 1, 1951,	$ 141.99	
Balance old appropriation,	800.34	
Special appropriation,	400.00	
New appropriation,	15,498.65	
From State aid,	1,927.52	
		$18,768.50

CR.

Cost of schools, 1951-52,	$16,031.75	
Special appropriation, balance,	281.20	
Due on appropriation, 1951-52,	2,298.65	
Cash on hand, July 1, 1952,	147.90	
Due on overpayment on bill,	9.00	
		$18,768.50

By vote of school meeting, March 15th, 1952, the unpaid balance of July 1, 1952 ($2,298.65), would be paid over to the building fund for the new schoolhouse.

EXPENSES IN DETAIL

Salaries of District Officers

D. Everett Palmer, chairman,	$25.00	
Leonard B. Miller,	15.00	
Parker Blodgett,	15.00	
Josephine Sanborn, treasurer,	20.00	
Grace Gilmore, clerk,	6.00	
Gustave Lambert, moderator,	4.50	
George B. Shaw, auditor,	2.00	
		$87.50

Superintendent's Salary

Raymond A. Hoyt, salary and travel,	$189.18

Truant Officer Census

D. Everett Palmer,	$6.00

Expense of Administration

Exeter School District, expense,	$ 30.27	
Lillian Carney, clerk, salary and expense,	172.40	
Josephine Sanborn, supplies,	5.22	
		$207.89

Teachers' Salaries

Edith Clough, North School,	$1,875.20	
N. H. and Vt. Hospital Service,	72.00	
Mildred Crowell, East School,	1,604.50	
Elna O. Williams, tutoring high,	70.00	
Perle E. Marston, tutoring,	165.00	
Hazel Overman, substitute,	16.00	
Esther Prescott, substitute,	48.00	
Eleanor Henry, music,	277.80	
Retirement board,	343.90	
Collector internal revenue,	660.40	
		$5,132.80

Textbooks

Ginn & Co.,	$46.05	
Boston Music Co.,	7.62	
Scott, Foresman,	1.23	
		$54.90

Scholars' Supplies

Edward Babb Co.,	$90.80	
Macmillan Co.,	13.03	
Scott, Foresman Co.,	50.81	
Gledhill Bros.,	31.83	
Houghton Mifflin Co.,	2.51	
L. W. Singer,	8.96	
Exeter News Letter,	6.00	
McCormick Mathes Co.,	3.32	
Batchelder's Book Store,	2.98	
Rowe, Peterson Co.,	18.56	
Theodore Bevan,	5.70	
		$234.44

Flags

The Flag Shop,	$3.84

Other Expense of Instruction

Rinehart Handwriting Supt.,	$150.00	
Exeter School District,	6.11	
Edith Clough,	2.35	
Audio-Visual Center,	60.00	
		$218.46

Janitors' Salaries

Gustave Lambert,	$150.00	
Percy Dunn,	150.00	
George J. Shaw,	9.00	
		$309.00

Fuel

Howard Beckman,	$ 3.50	
D. Everett Palmer,	20.00	
Harold Bodwell,	70.00	
Gustave Lambert,	2.00	
		$95.50

Water, Lights and Janitors' Supplies

Exeter & Hampton Electric Co.,	$80.19	
Standard Paper Co.,	52.17	
Rochester Germicide Co.,	7.59	
B. F. Keene Co.,	5.54	
A. E. Foss,	1.80	
E. B. Warner,	5.70	
Young's Hardware,	1.89	
Edward Babb & Co.,	18.40	
Exeter School District,	8.58	
George J. Shaw,	9.00	
		$190.86

Minor Repairs and Expense

Walter Kincade,	$ 2.50	
B. F. Keene Co.,	4.64	
Percy Dunn,	63.34	
D. Everett Palmer,	25.00	
Paris Mfg.Co.,	.90	
		$96.38

Health Supervision

School nurse, salary,	$141.00	
Travel expense,	23.50	
		$164.50

Transportation

Marshall Transportation Co., High,	$ 780.00	
Marshall Transportation Co., Elm,	2,320.00	
		$3,100.00

Tuition

Exeter School District,	$3,869.80	$955.30	$4,825.10
Town of Amesbury,	390.00		390.00
City of Haverhill,	164.16		164.16
	$4,423.96	$955.30	$5,379.26

State-wide Supervision

State treasurer,		$174.00

Insurance and Other Charges

Richard Prescott, insurance,	$ 39.91	
DeMeritt Agency, liability	20.00	
DeMeritt Agency, treasurer's bond, 2 years,	10.00	
Teachers' retirement by town,	326.33	
		$396.24

$400.00 Special Appropriation

Balance on hand, July 1, 1951,		$282.25
J. L. Cram, surveying school lot,	$ 45.00	
DeMeritt Agency, insurance,	227.10	
Exeter & Hampton Electric Co.,	9.10	
		281.20
Balance,		$1.05

Kensington, N. H., August 1, 1952.

This is to certify that I have examined the report of the school treasurer, Josephine Sanborn, with a balance of $147.90 in Exeter Banking Co. and the report of the school board, and find them correct and properly vouched for and do hereby approve the same.

GEORGE B. SHAW,
Auditor.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To the School Board of Kensington, New Hampshire:

It is with pleasure that I submit my fifth annual report as superintendent of schools.

The school year 1952-1953 opened with the following personnel:

Mrs. Edith Clough, principal and teacher of grades 4-6
Mrs. Mildred Crowell, teacher of grades 1-3
Mrs. Eleanor Henry, teacher of music
Miss Mary Shea, school nurse
Mrs. Margaret Donnelly, teacher of handwriting

There were no changes in the teaching staff this year. However, Mrs. Clough was given the added responsibilities of serving as principal in the new school. The above staff gives Kensington an experienced staff of teachers who work untiringly to provide adequate training for the boys and girls.

It was a gratifying experience for the students and teachers to start the new year in the new school. The building is of very fine construction and everything about it is attractive and conducive to an improved school program. Some of its features are worthy of note and from an educational standpoint are considered to be important requirements of a modern school building.

1. Each classroom has nearly eight hundred square feet of floor space which provides ample room for desirable activities.

2. Movable furniture allows for flexibility in the classroom.

3. Ample improved green chalkboards and bulletin boards at heights which children can use are provided in each classroom.

4. Full length windows which cover an entire wall in each room provide excellent natural lighting. The lighter shades of asphalt tile on the floor, the light pastel colors which decorate the walls and the natural wood furniture all help to provide good lighting. Modern fixtures which produce a high percentage of indirect light furnish the right type of artificial light.

5. A modern oil burning forced hot water heating system provides uniform heat throughout the building.

6. An artesian well with an excellent water supply and modern plumbing very adequately take care of the health and sanitation requirements of the building.

7. The kitchen makes it possible to provide a hot lunch program.

8. The activities room is an important part of the building and, if numbers increase in the future, it can readily be converted into a third classroom.

9. There is sufficient area so that a very good playground can be provided as soon as more land is cleared.

I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate the citizens of Kensington for providing this fine modern building so that for generations to come the boys and girls of the town may receive better education in comfortable and pleasant surroundings.

There are two strong evidences that the boys and girls are receiving good training. The first evidence is the results of

achievement tests which are given each year near the end of school. Each grade stands well above the national standards for the tests. The second evidence is the very satisfactory caliber of work done by a large majority of the students who go on to high school which is proof of good training while in elementary school.

I would also like to commend the many organizations and individuals who have contributed so generously to the new school. This represents a very wholesome and cooperative attitude and has made the undertaking a community enterprise.

Proper care of a new building is very important and I can report that Mr. Percy Dunn as janitor has been sincere in his efforts to keep the building neat and clean.

I call your attention to the reports and tables which follow and I trust that these will be of interest to you.

Again I wish to thank the citizens of Kensington, the members of the school board, and the teachers for their fine cooperation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND A. HOYT,

Superintendent, Supervisory Union No. 16.

Kensington, New Hampshire,
January 15, 1953.

Report of the Music Supervisor

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The purpose of a music program each year is to provide for each child the opportunity of obtaining a well-rounded musical background.

The first and most important step is the attempt to arouse in the child an interest in music. Work on rhythm, action songs, singing-games and dances help to do this.

Ear-training is very important, especially in the first two grades. Some children have a natural musical ear while others do not. Each week work is done with the matching of musical phrases, with the purpose of bringing the child's voice up to the correct pitch. In most cases this can be done, but it often requires some time. The result, however, is very gratifying, and well worth any amount of time spent.

Learning of the fundamentals of music, note-reading, music appreciation, part-singing and folk dancing are all part of the music program.

In April, two operettas were given at the Town Hall. "The Smiling Sixpence" was presented by the pupils of the North School, and "Animal Capers" was presented by the pupils of the East School.

The pupils of both schools participated in the Memorial Day program.

We are all happy to be in the beautiful new schoolhouse. The large auditorium provides space for dances and games, which we have not had previously.

I wish to thank Mr. Hoyt, the school board, teachers and parents for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

ELEANOR HENRY.

Kensington, N. H., January 15, 1953.

Report of the School Nurse

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The new school building has greatly aided the health program. Better sanitary facilities make health teaching have a more realistic value. Hearing and vision testing can now be conducted without disturbing the whole class and are more accurately performed.

Along with the new school the community can be proud of its P. T. A. Through its efforts a dental clinic has been started. Children in need of dental care have attended this clinic. About one-fourth of the student body has received help in this way, attending the dentist at least twice during the school year. Dr. Pollock has conducted this clinic on a weekly basis. The P. T. A. dental committee has provided transportation for the children to and from the clinic. There may be money enough for a fluoride clinic later on. With this new program the dental needs of the children in most cases have been adequately met.

So far this year the health of the children seems to be above average. Provision throughout the school for general cleanliness, adequate lighting, heating and ventilation has been provided in the new building. This, along with the daily milk and

the forthcoming "one hot dish daily" for lunch has helped and we hope will continue to provide an element of protection against disease.

I have found the teachers and children of Kensington schools most cooperative and receptive to health education.

Health talks, film strips and movies on health are an essential part of the program.

We still have much to accomplish to provide adequately for the health needs of all the children. A physical examination by a physician is one of the goals to be aimed at for the future. For the present, the people of Kensington can be proud of the fact that they have done and are still doing all within their means to provide a healthful environment for their children.

I wish to thank all the parents for their cooperation, and especially the P. T. A. for its assistance so willingly given to the school nurse.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY G. SHEA, R. N.

Kensington, New Hampshire,
January 15, 1953.

SCHOOL CALENDAR — 1953-1954

School Opens—September 9 (Wednesday)		
Closes—December 22 (Tuesday)	72 days	16 weeks
Opens—January 4 (Monday)		
Closes—February 19 (Friday)	35 days	7 weeks
Opens—March 1 (Monday)		
Closes—April 23 (Friday)	40 days	8 weeks
Opens—May 3 (Monday)		
Closes—June 18 (Friday)	34 days	7 weeks
	181 days	38 weeks

Holidays:

October 16—State Teachers' Convention.

November 11—Armistice Day.

November 26 and 27—Thanksgiving Recess. (Thursday and Friday.)

May 31—Memorial Day.

School will be dismissed at noon on September 9, November 25, December 22, and Good Friday, April 16.

TABLE I

Total Enrollment January 1, 1953

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Kensington School	7	7	14	14	14	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	61
Exeter Elementary	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	4	0	0	0	0	12
Exeter High School	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	5	3	10
Robinson Seminary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	2	3	10
St. Michael School	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	3
Exeter Day School	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Totals	7	7	15	15	15	5	9	5	2	5	7	6	98
1952 Comparisons ..	8	16	11	14	5	9	5	3	3	6	6	8	94

TABLE II

Statistics for Ten Years Ending June 31, 1952

	Weeks in Year	Boys	Girls	Total Pupils	Average Attendance	Average Absence	Average Membership	Percent of Attendance	Cases of Tardiness	Visits of Superintendent	Visits of Others	Average Salary
1941-1942...	37	24	19	43	35	3	38	93	29	62	8	$ 850.00
1942-1943...	38	29	24	53	41	2	43	95	17	43	17	1,000.00
1943-1944...	38	24	24	48	42	3	45	94	112	49	51	1,125.00
1944-1945...	37	23	23	46	38	3	41	91	98	52	146	1,225.00
1945-1946...	37	21	26	47	39	3	42	93	2	49	186	1,300.00
1946-1947...	36	23	24	47	40	2	42	95	9	44	75	1,400.00
1947-1948...	37	26	24	50	46	3	49	95	2	36	57	1,800.00
1948-1949...	37	22	22	44	38	4	42	90	7	51	119	1,950.00
1949-1950...	38	29	23	52	47	4	51	93	4	56	199	2,150.00
1950-1951...	38	29	31	60	55	4	59	93	9	53	145	2,250.00
1951-1952...	38	30	30	60	52	6	58	89	2	63	96	2,250.00

Vital Statistics of the Town of Kensington, N. H.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1952

Date		Name of Child	Sex	No.of Child	Living or Stillborn	Name of Father	Maiden name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Jan.	5	Lorraine Palmer	F	3	L	Horace E. Palmer	Caroline Bartlett	Newburyport	Newburyport, Mass.
Jan.	26	Linda A. Schrempf	F	2	L	Brownell Schrempf	Doris M. Brown	Newburyport	Newburyport, Mass.
Feb.	14	Robert P. Schofield	M	2	L	Joseph W.Schofield	Shirley R. Stocks	Melrose, Mass.	Exeter, N. H.
Feb.	29	Jean E. Smart	F	6	L	Verle E. Smart	Helen A. Laconis	Exeter, N. H.	Exeter, N. H.
Apr.	26	Frank P. Young, III	M	6	L	Frank P. Young	Margaret Otterson	Plymouth, N. H.	Hooksett, N. H.
Apr.	27	Kathie M. Keller	F	2	L	Arnold F. Keller	Rebecca Gourley	Exeter, N. H.	Los Angeles, Calif.
May	11	Lynn M. Belanger	F	1	L	Edward Belanger	Edith M. Mobbs	Exeter, N. H.	Exeter, N. H.
May	26	Ernest Greenwood. Jr.	M	3	L	Ernest Greenwood	Mary L. Irving	England	Newbury!ort, Mass.
June	13	Jay Clark Jacobs	M	1	L	John Clark Jacobs	Dorothy A.Bodwell	Groton, Conn.	Exeter, N. H.
July	14	Constance J. Wadleigh	F	2	L	William H.Wadleigh	Virginia M.Hellen	Exeter, N. H.	Amesbury, Mass.
Sept.	1	Ralph J. Aucoin	M	7	L	Arthur C. Aucoin	Grace Alice Gilmore	Worcester, Mass.	Exeter, N. H.
Sept.	18	Deborah Ann McLean	F	4	L	Donald A.McLean	Dorothy A.Wilbur	Exeter, N. H.	Haverhill, Mass.
Sept.	19	Joni-Susan Fogg	F	3	L	George A. Fogg	Muriel M. Wright	Exeter, N. H.	Ipswich, Mass.
Oct.	17	Harold Peter Bragg	M	5	L	Clarence W. Bragg	Doria A. Cote	Kensington,N.H.	Manchester, N.H.

I hereby certify that the above record is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.—D. EVERETT PALMER, *Town Clerk.*

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1952

Date	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Age in Yrs.	Color of Ea.	Con-dition	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Name, Residence, and Official Station of Person by Whom Married
Jan.	12 Exeter, N. H.	James K. Goodall	23	W	1	New York	Kenneth L. Goodall Margaret L. Schneider	Paul T. Martin Minister of the Gospel Exeter, N. H.
		Joan M. Marston	19	W	1	Maine	Earl M. Marston Ezuris Dorella Bird	
April	11 Kens'ngton	Willis A. Plouffe	23	W	1	New Hampshire	Henry A. Plouffe Nora May Guyette	Richard D. Prescott Justice of the Peace Kensington, N. H.
		Lois G. Long	24	W	2	Colorado	Leonard Long Channie Abell	
May	2 Kensington	Robert W. Miller	28	W	3	Haverhill, Mass.	Leonard B. Miller Lillian M. Fournier	D. Everett Palmer, Justice of the Peace Kensington, N. H.
		Sarah A. Boyden	24	W	1	W. Newbury, Mass.	Wilbur F. Boyden, Sr. Luella Locke	
June	6 Kensington	Charles L. Webster	20	W	1	Manchester, N. H.	Carroll J. Webster Marian Herrick	D. Everett Palmer, Justice of the Peace Kensington, N. H.
		Carol J. Turner	19	W	1	Lynn, Mass.	Clinton E. Turner Eleanor N. Bates	
June	14 Kensington	Charles W. Beckman	32	W	1	Kensington, N. H.	George Beckman Ada G. Wilbur	D. Everett Palmer, Justice of the Peace Kensington, N. H.
		Rose Mitchell	39	W	2	Nottingham, N. H.	Willie Mitchell Mabel Glover	

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Date	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Age in Yrs.	Color of Ea.	Condition	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Name, Residence, and Official Station of Person by Whom Married
June	15 Derry, N. H.	Paul W. Kimball	23	W	1	New Hampshire	Frank Kimball Marion P. Page	Albert C. Cornwell Minister Derry, N. H.
		Marian Clement	19	W	1	New Hampshire	Charles H. Clement Helen L. Plumer	
July	12 Penacook, N. H.	Leon H. Jacobs	58	W	3	Rochester, N. H.	Stephen S. Jacobs Viola Nute	Oliver C. Northcott, Minister of the Gospel Penacook, N. H.
		Catherine C. Hirschner	47	W	1	Amesbury, Mass.	John P. Hirschner Anna May Creamer	
Sept.	27 Exeter, N. H.	Ernest J. Morrissette	35	W	1	New Hampshire	Joseph Morrissette Lillian Bernier	Daniel J. Cotter Catholic Priest Exeter, N. H.
		Marjorie E. Eastman	32	W	1	New Hampshire	Fred W. Eastman Maribel E. Jackson	
Oct.	11 Kensington	Lynn J. Woolstenhulme	24	W	1	Heber, Utah	Cyril J. Woolstenhulme Fontella Clyde	Roland D. Sawyer Minister Ware, Mass.
		Marjorie L. Mobbs	27	W	1	Exeter, N. H.	Karl B. Mobbs Gladys Nelson	
Nov.	26 Kensington	William Roy Powers	29	W	1	Montgomery, Mass.	John F. Powers Viola Herrick	Roland D. Sawyer Minister Ware, Mass. and
		Barbara Helen Smith	26	W	1	Boston, Mass	Harold Y. Smith Rachel N. Sawyer	H. Richard Hoblin Pastor Kensington, N. H.
Dec.	16 Kensington	Richard F. Puorro	21	W	1	Boston, Mass.	Thomas Puorro Ida Massiello	D. Everett Palmer Justice of the Peace Kensington, N. H.
		Rita M. Beckstrom	18	W	1	Boston, Mass.	Carl Beckstrom Helen Smith	

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DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1952

Date		Name and Surname of Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Sex	Single Married or Widowed	Name of Father	Name of Mother
Jan.	15	Elbridge G. Stevens	95	Manchester, N. H.	M	Never Married	Edward Stevens	Susan F. Giles
Feb.	12	Frank Clifford Carr	75		M	M		
Feb.	14	Jennie Toothaker	68	Glasgow, Scotland	F	M	James Whitehead	Mary Beaton
Mar.	1	George Lee	82	Toronto, Canada	M	Never Married	Not Known	Not Known
April	10	Margaret Rose Quirk	52	Manchester, N. H.	F	M	William F. Wolfe	Jane Lund
June	8	Loren Austin Plumb	80	Berkshire, Vt.	M	M	Schribner Plumb	Clement Sturgis
June	15	Charles H. Austin	69	Kensington, N. H.	M		James K. Austin	Hattie Blake Austin
June	30	Ethel Blake Lamprey	70	Kens ngton, N. H.	F	W	Thomas Blake	Cynthia E. Batchelder
July	13	William Matthew Hallahan	63	Boston, Mass.	M	M	James Hallahan	Mary Clancy
Nov.	6	Dorothy York Williams	52	Kensington, N. H.	F	M	Arthur T. York	Bessie Blake
Dec.	10	Ada Gertrude Beckman	60	Kensington, N. H.	F	W	Moses Wilbur	Nellie Shufelt

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